

ADDING AUTHORIZATIONS TO A BASIC TEACHING CREDENTIAL

The Education Code §44225(e) and Title 5, California Code of Regulations, §80499 allow a teacher to obtain an additional teaching credential without completing the full professional preparation program for that credential. Specific information on how to complete the requirements and a diagram of the process follow.

If you need to teach under the new authorization before you have time to complete the requirements, see "Alternatives" listed on the reverse of this leaflet.

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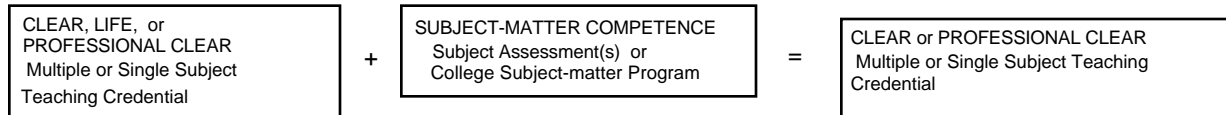
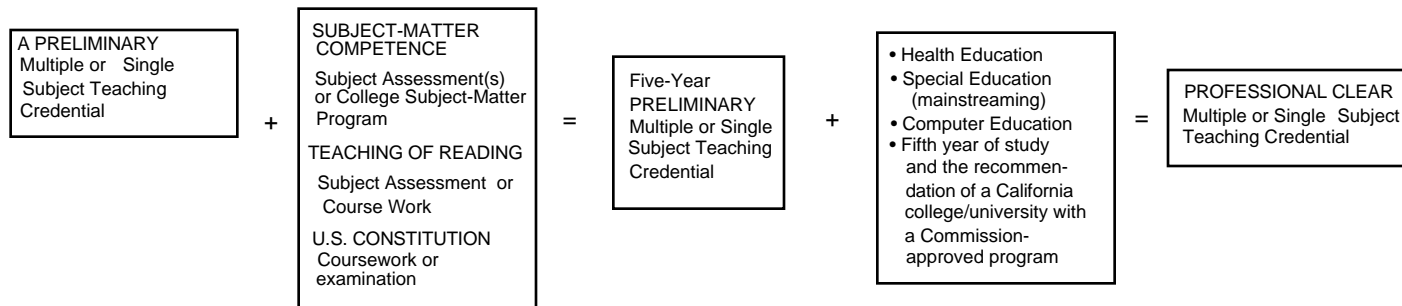
A qualified applicant [i.e. one who holds or is academically eligible for a basic teaching credential as defined in Education Code §44203(e)(1)] may obtain an additional multiple or single subject instruction authorization when he or she verifies completion of the requirements which follow.

1. An applicant who qualifies to add an authorization on the basis of a Ryan **preliminary** multiple or single subject teaching credential must verify (a), (b), (c) and (d) below:
 - (a) possession of, or academic eligibility for a preliminary multiple or single subject teaching credential;
 - (b) subject-matter competence as outlined below;
 - (c) knowledge of the methods of teaching reading either by completion of a Commission-approved course or by passage of, with a minimum score of 680, the Praxis Series Subject Assessment number 10200 entitled "Introduction to the Teaching of Reading";
 - (d) knowledge of the provisions and principles of the U.S. Constitution by completion of either a college-level course (two semester units or three quarter units) covering this subject or passage of an examination in the subject given by a regionally accredited junior college, college or university.

An applicant who meets these requirements will be issued another preliminary credential and subsequently must complete all requirements for a professional clear credential.

2. An applicant who qualifies to add an authorization on the basis of a Ryan **clear**, **professional clear** or **life** multiple or single subject teaching credential must verify (a) and (b) below:
 - (a) possession of, or academic eligibility for a Ryan clear, professional clear or life multiple or single subject teaching credential;
 - (b) subject-matter competence as outlined below.

An applicant who meets these requirements on the basis of a clear or life credential will be issued a clear credential. An applicant who meets these requirements on the basis of a professional clear credential will be issued another professional clear credential.



SUBJECT-MATTER COMPETENCE

Subject-matter competence may be verified by one of two methods:

- (1) achieving a passing score on the appropriate subject assessment(s), OR
- (2) completing a Commission-approved subject-matter program, or its equivalent, and obtaining a statement from the authorized person in the education department of a California college or university with the approved program (California colleges and universities may have recency or other program requirements that have to be met before they will verify completion of a subject-matter program).

Information about registering for the appropriate subject assessment(s) and passing scores, are on the leaflet entitled "Verifying Subject Matter Competence" available from the Commission. The statutory subjects available for the Single Subject Teaching Credential are Agriculture, Art, Business, English, **Government, Health Science, **History, Home Economics, Industrial and Technology Education, Language Other than English, ***Life Science, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, ***Physical Science, Science: Biological Sciences, Science: Chemistry, Science: Geosciences, Science: Physics, and Social Science.

SUPPLEMENTARY AUTHORIZATIONS

Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, §80089, 80089.1, and 80089.2, allows Single Subject, Standard Secondary, and some Special Secondary Credential holders to add supplementary authorizations to their credentials if they have completed 20 semester units or 10 upper division semester units in the subject area(s) to be added. Specific requirements for the supplementary authorizations are outlined on form CL-603, which is available from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, §80057.5, allows Multiple Subject and Standard Elementary Credential holders to add supplementary authorizations for teaching in departmentalized classrooms in grades 9 and below to their credentials if they have completed 20 semester units or 10 upper division units in the subject area(s) to be added. Specific requirements for the supplementary authorizations are outlined on form CL-629, which is available from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

ALTERNATIVES

To cover your teaching service while you are completing the requirements for the added authorization or a supplementary authorization, you might consider the following options:

- 1) A Limited Assignment Emergency Teaching Permit, pursuant to §80027 of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, authorizes the holder of a valid teaching credential based on a baccalaureate degree and completion of a professional preparation program to teach outside of his or her credential area if both the teacher and governing school board consent to the assignment. The teacher must be currently employed by the governing board requesting this assignment and must complete at least 6 semester units of appropriate course work for renewal.
- 2) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44263, may allow a teacher who holds a credential based on a baccalaureate degree and completion of a professional teacher preparation program to be assigned to teach any single subject class if the teacher consents to the assignment and has completed 18 semester units or 9 upper division units from a regionally accredited college or university in the subject to be taught. To teach a multiple subject class, the teacher needs to consent to the assignment and have at least 60 semester units equally distributed among four of the following areas: language studies, literature, mathematics, science, social science, history, humanities, the arts, physical education, and human development.
- 3) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44256(b), may allow a teacher who holds a Multiple Subject or Standard Elementary Teaching Credential to be assigned to teach any single subject class below grade 9 if the teacher consents to the assignment and has completed 12 semester units or 6 upper division semester units of course work from a regionally accredited college or university in each subject to be taught.
- 4) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44258.2, may allow a teacher who holds a Single Subject or Standard Secondary Teaching Credential to be assigned to teach any single subject class in grades 5-8 if the teacher consents to the assignment and has completed 12 semester units or 6 upper division semester units of course work from a regionally accredited college or university in each subject to be taught.
- 5) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44258.3, may assign the holder of a credential, other than an emergency permit, to teach any subject in departmentalized classes in grades K-12, irrespective of the designation on the teaching credential, if the teacher's competence is verified according to the policy established by the governing board.
- 6) The governing board of a school district, pursuant to California Education Code §44258.7(c) and (d), may assign a full-time teacher who has special skills and preparation outside of his or her credential area to teach in an "elective" area of his or her special skills, provided the assignment is approved by the local Committee on Assignments and the teacher consents to the assignment. Elective subjects are subjects other than English, mathematics, science and social science.

** Only available to candidates who have been determined by a Commission-approved college or university to have completed course work in the subject matter program on or before December 31, 1994. The program must be completed by January 1, 1998.

*** Only available to candidates who have 1) been determined by a Commission-approved college or university to have completed course work in the subject matter program on or before December 31, 1994 OR 2) complete appropriate subject assessments by September 1, 1996. Please contact the Commission for information on appropriate examinations.